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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS

Agriculture

Opening of agricultural stations in Ganjam district.

* 168 *Q.*—Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state whether an agricultural station will be opened in the Ganjam district to popularise the results of experiments made so far for improvements in agriculture?

A.—The matter is under consideration.

Proposed purchase of two demonstration cars.

* 169 *Q.*—The Zamindar of Gollapalli: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is a proposal before the Government to provide two demonstration cars, one for Andhra desa and one for the southern districts;

(*b*) what is the detailed scheme underlying the proposal; and

(*c*) whether the hon. the Minister would consider that one car is sufficient for twelve districts of Andhra desa?

A.—(*a*) There was such a proposal and Government have already sanctioned the purchase of two demonstration cars.

(*b*) The scheme underlying the proposal is to disseminate the knowledge possessed by the Agricultural Department, to the ryot, by means of lantern lectures, exhibition of improved implements, improved strains of seed of different crops, artificial manures, etc. The exhibition car is so designed that a large number of exhibits can be stored within it for transport; and the car can be taken to the interior of the county and a display given and explained by the officers in charge, to ryots in the most out of the way villages.

(*c*) The scheme has been introduced in the current year as an experimental measure and if encouraging results follow, Government will certainly take steps to increase the number of such demonstration cars.